

**DATE:**  
**2/25/2021**

**AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):**

**Consider/Approve** the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Kenton County School District and Cincinnati State Technical and Community College for scholars to complete dual credit in the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program for the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years..

**APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:**

**01.11 General Powers and Duties**

**HISTORY/BACKGROUND:**

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College will provide a tuition free dual credit program for 15 KCS D Scholars. Each high school will have 5 spots for juniors in the 2021-22 school year. These scholars will continue the program for their senior year and earn 28-30 college credit hours towards an associate degree. In addition, scholars have the opportunity to earn three certifications: FAA Remote (Drone) Pilot, NCATT Aircraft Technician, and FAA General Airmen Knowledge Test. Aviation Maintenance is a high demand career with high salary. The scholars will graduate Transition Ready and be college ready and/or job ready..

**FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

**KCS D will fund transportation (bus). In addition, scholar certifications, tools, and kits will be funded through the Team Kenton Foundation, Perkins, and other grants. Cincinnati State is providing free tuition.**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**Approval to** the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Kenton County School District and Cincinnati State Technical and Community College for scholars to complete dual credit in the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program for the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years..

**CONTACT PERSON:**

**Francis O'Hara, Director of Districtwide Programs and Transition Education**



Principal/Administrator



District Administrator



Superintendent

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
Between  
Kenton County School District  
And  
Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

*Aviation Maintenance Technology Program Collaboration  
Academic Years 2021-22 and 2022-23*

I. PARTIES

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by Kenton County School District (KCSD) and Cincinnati State Technical and Community College (Cincinnati State) as of March 1, 2021, to specify the terms and conditions for the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program Collaboration under which:

- Cincinnati State Technical and Community College will provide scholarships (in collaboration with community partners) to cover tuition and course fees for up to fifteen students and access to one of the best AMT programs in the country, all in an effort to mitigate the challenges of accessibility and cost to the students. The fifteen students will attend the 2021-22 and 22-23 school years. The MOU will be reviewed annually and submitted for approval by Cincinnati State and KCSD.
- KCSD will provide transportation, drone kits, tools, and certification cost.
- Books will be paid for by the students

II. BACKGROUND

The Greater Cincinnati / Northern Kentucky Region is in urgent need of more aviation maintenance technicians. The region is an important central supply chain hub for the entire country. One key element that is essential for the overall growth and success of the region's supply chain industries is a strong, educated, and well-trained pipeline of Aviation Maintenance Technicians. With the growth of CVG and the expansion of the supply chain industry surrounding it, local industry leaders are calling for this talent pipeline to grow quickly in the coming years.

Cincinnati State Technical & Community College and the KCSD have teamed together to help answer that call. The two groups are working to provide access and affordability to students in Kenton County looking to pursue a career in the aviation industry.

The Cincinnati State Aviation Maintenance Technology Program (AMT) provides students with the skills needed to keep aircraft operating safely and efficiently by servicing, repairing, and overhauling aircraft components and systems. The AMT program is certificated by the Federal Aviation Administration

(FAA) under Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 147. The program offers Airframe, Powerplant, and Avionics certificates and students can earn an Associate's Degree as well.

KCSD serves over 14,800 students as the fifth largest school district in Kentucky. One of our primary goals is to ensure students graduate work ready and prepared for college. In addition, the KCSD wants to provide students opportunities to be prepared to work in a high demand profession. The Cincinnati State AMT Program meets and exceeds this goal. KCSD students will be able to fill the workforce pipeline needed by our industry partners for aviation maintenance technicians and related fields.

### III. PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The program is designed to introduce students to various areas of aviation maintenance and Unmanned Ariel Systems (UASs). The program will provide students the opportunity to start working on their FAA certificates in these areas as early as their junior year of High School. Students will spend half of their school day on the Cincinnati State West Facility taking Aviation courses in Aviation Maintenance, Avionics, and UASs. The courses are college courses and count as direct credit for degree and certificates within the Cincinnati State AMT program. A student that completes the entire program will be eligible for the following:

1. Cincinnati State UAS Certificate and eligible to test for FAA Remote Pilot Certification (Part 107)  
Offer at end of first semester – Fall 2021: Cost \$165.00
2. Cincinnati State Avionics Certificate and eligible to test for NCATT Aircraft Technician Certificate  
Offer at fourth semester – Spring 2023: Cost \$175.00
3. Cincinnati State AMT General Certificate of Completion and eligible to test for FAA General Airmen Knowledge Test (written test only) Offer at end of forth semester – Spring 2023: Cost \$165.00

Students can earn as much as 28-30 college credit toward a degree or certificate shortening the traditional time and lowering the cost a traditional AMT student would experience. They will also earn national credentials in Avionics and UASs.

### IV. CINCINNATI STATE TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE RESPONSIBILITIES

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College has committed support in the total amount of up to \$112,000 (in collaboration with community partners) delivered over 4 semesters with an enrollment of fifteen students. These funds include tuition, lab fees, career fees, facility fees and registration fees.

Cincinnati State Technical & Community College will be responsible for providing instructors, curriculum, instruction, and grading for the agreed upon courses.

#### V. KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES

KCSD has committed to fund \$49,560 annually for transportation. In addition, the following costs over the two year program will be funded by KCSD, grants, Perkins, and/or The Team Kenton Foundation: \$505.00 certifications, \$250.00 drone kits, and \$125.00 for tools for up to fifteen students. Total \$540.00 x 15 = \$8100 for 2021-22 plus \$340.00 x 15 = \$5100.00 for 2022-23 = \$13,200.00. Total contribution \$112,320.00.

Kenton County students will be responsible for the cost of books over the two years of the program. Approximate cost will be \$250.00 total.

Kenton County students will be responsible for attendance and must follow the Cincinnati State Code of Conduct, Cincinnati State safety protocols, policies, and procedures. Any violations will be subject to disciplinary proceedings and sanctions at Cincinnati State's and/or Kenton County's discretion.

#### V. TERM OF MOU

Academic Years: Fall and Spring Semesters for 2021-2022 and Fall and Spring Year 2022-2023.

#### VI. NON-BINDING

This MOU sets forth the intent of the parties to partner, as outlined above, to create an Aviation Maintenance educational pathway for Kenton County high school students at Cincinnati State. This MOU is not a-binding contract upon the parties, nor does this MOU create any rights in any third parties.

#### VI. SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned, endeavor to provide Kenton County high school students an Aviation Maintenance educational pathway at Cincinnati State by collaborating and carrying out the respective responsibilities set forth in this Memorandum of Understanding.

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Kenton County School District – School Board Chairperson

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Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

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